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just distressed that despite that the bill is in a form where I can't vote for it as much as I want to vote for it. If everybody can clear everything else from their mind, and you have the power to do that because despite things that I have said on other occasions everybody in here can think and everybody can make a judgment and a decision if he or she chooses to do so. So I hope that you defeat Senator Cullan's motion, unless you don't want to consider reducing . . .

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: . . . those court costs back to where they were. If you don't want to do that, I can understand it, although I will be greatly disappointed. Senator Johnson, Senator Vard Johnson, who has given me a new nickname, that of the Luddite, I wish I could fly with you in the friendly skies of the judges' salary which is where they will be with this bill as it is. But, if you don't give me the chance to change that other bill, I will have to stay earth bound.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Question.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Question is shall debate cease. I do see five hands. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Mr. President, are we voting now on amendments of Senator Cullan's or on the bill?

SPEAKER NICHOL: We are voting to cease debate at the moment.

SENATOR HIGGINS: But I mean to cease debate on an amendment or on the bill?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, we are voting to cease debate on an amendment.

SENATOR HIGGINS: And, this is Senator Cullan's amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The motion is to suspend the rules to add an amendment and we are voting now to cease debate and the next vote will be on the amendment itself. No, sorry.

SENATOR HIGGINS: I'm glad to see that I'm not the only one that is confused.